She is also an Adjunct Professor at Columbia University, New York, and her past experience which, includes serving as the Senior Special Assistant to the President of Nigeria on the anti-poverty targets known as the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

In addition, she currently serves on numerous international advisory panels and boards, including the Global Development Program of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and the Secretary General's Global Sustainability Panel.

In relation to Burundi appointment, Mr. Ban's spokesperson said that Mr. Onanga-Anyanga will replace Ms. Karin Landgren of Sweden, who has recently been appointed the Secretary-General's Special Representative in Liberia, and he brings to the position many years of experience at the United Nations.

#### Dr Michael Ojo – (WATERAID)

Very experienced senior manager with extensive project/programme management as well as senior policy and operational expertise. Working closely with senior politicians, senior government officials, consultants and business leaders, Michael has developed and delivered major environmental policy projects and programmes, shaping the London environmental policy and operational landscape.

Michael is currently leading Water Aid's work in Nigeria, where he is responsible for the implementation of the Country Strategy and for providing strategic leadership to the country team. He has overall responsibility for developing Water Aid Nigeria's strategic thinking on programmes policy, advocacy and learning, ensuring that the Country Programme builds capacity and develops the range and depth of skills of partner organizations, as well as building in-country and regional networks and relationships with key stakeholders to strengthen the water, sanitation and hygiene sector in Nigeria.

#### Kabir Yari (UNHABITAT)

Kabir Yari is the UNHABITAT Programme Manager, Nigeria. He has extensive experience in the preparation and implementation of urban development projects. He has worked or closely collaborated with multi lateral institutions and agencies such as The World Bank, United Nations Human Settlements Programme, (UNHABITAT) and the Cities Alliances among others in the preparation of urban projects and programmes. For example, he participated in several projects aimed at improving participatory Urban Management Programme (UMP) between 1996 and 2000 as well as the sustainable cities programme in the cities of Ibadan, Enugu and Kano.

Kabir Yari also participated actively in the preparation and participation of Karu Development Strategy in Nigeria, supported by the World Cities Alliances, the World Bank and UN-HABITAT. He also has extensive experience in the financing of urban projects having spent a substantial part of his working career with the Federal Ministry of Works and Housing and Urban Development Bank of Nigeria. He hopes to work with all stakeholders to make human settlements in Nigeria more competitive and to provide better living environment for their residents.

## Dr David Satterthwaite, Editor, Environment and Urbanization.

Senior Fellow, Human Settlements Group, International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED)Recipient of the 2004 Volvo Environment Prize, Part of the IPCC team that was co-recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize, 2007IPCC: Lead author (Third Assessment) and Review Editor (Fourth Assessment), Chapter on Human Settlements, Inter-Governmental Panel on Climate Change, 1999-2007; member of the scoping team for the Fifth Assessment (2009); Coordinating Lead Author for the Fifth Assessment. 1979 to present: Research in IIED's Human Settlements Group. Most of the work since 1979 has been in research, working with collaborating institutions in Africa, Asia and Latin America, mainly on issues of urban poverty, housing, health, environment, urban development and rural-urban linkages. This includes a particular interest in what causes and underpins the vulnerabilities of low-income groups to environmental hazards, including extreme weather events. Advice on urban issues provided to many international agencies including UNICEF, UNHabitat, World Health Organization, OECD, the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), the Development Directorate of the European Commission, United Nations Population Division, DFID, UNRISD,DANIDA, ActionAid, WaterAid, CARE and the Brundtland Commission Current work at IIED is concentrated on examining the scope and effectiveness of poverty reduction interventions in urban areas in low- and middle-income nations and the potential for community-based adaptation to climate change.

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6<sup>th</sup> World Urban Forum, Naples, Italy 1 – 7 September, 2012 Networking Event: Equity in Environmental Governance, Waste Management and Wealth Creation in Zamfara State, Nigeria

# From Lead Poison Disaster to Wealth Creation - Strategies adopted by Zamfara State, Nigeria.

# **Session Summary**

Zamfara state as an emerging economy in Northern Nigeria, is targeted at alleviating the quality of life and environment of its citizens. Devastated by the 2010 lead poison which resulted in loss of lives through water pollution and in quest for improved quality of life, Environmental Sanitation Agency was established to carry out three basic functions; Waste management Clean up, Enforcement/Review of environmental laws. Driven by the momentum of enhancing city prosperity, creative innovations, urban transformation and energy efficiency, technologies to convert waste to wealth was adopted. To transform into a modern city and earn urban carbon credit, Zamfara state adopts good governance through equitable distribution of waste management strategies. Experiences from similar international cities form core discussions by panel of international experts.

# **Session Objectives**

To create a forum for international discourse on the steps taken by Zamfara state of Nigeria to address the menace of lead pollution and improved environment. To present to the global communities the efforts of the government of Zamfara in improving the quality of life and the environment in achieving a prosperous and carbon free city. To learn from the experiences of other international communities and experts in the area of environmental management and city prosperity. To seek possible bilateral partnership with international agencies in collaborative efforts in achieving the set objective of creating a livable city.

Date | Time | Venue:

Monday, 3 Sept 2012 | 17:00 - 19:00 | Pavilion 6 NE 30

# **PROGRAMME**

# **Keynote Speaker:**

His Excellency, Muhammad Ibrahim Wakkala, The Deputy Governor of Zamfara State, Nigeria

# **Chairperson:**

Dr Graham Tipple, Visiting Fellow, School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape, Newcastle University, United Kingdom

# **PROGRAMME**

- 17:00 Introductions Dr Graham Tipple, Chairperson
- 17:10 **Welcome address** Hon Marwan Abdulkarim, Special Adviser to the Governor on Environmental Sanitation, Zamfara State, Nigeria.
- 17:20 **Keynote Address** His Excellency, Mr Muhammad Ibrahim Wakkala Deputy Governor, Zamfara State, Nigeria.
- 17.45 National/International Experiences
  Dr I. Daodu, Hon. Commissioner for Physical Planning, Ondo State, NIGERIA
- 17:50 International Discussion Panel
  - 1. Dr David Satterthwaite, IIED, UK
  - 2. Mrs Amina Az-Zubair, United Nations
  - 3. Dr Stephen Young, **DFID**
  - 4. Mr Kabir M Kyari, **UNHABITAT**
  - 5. Dr. Michael Ojo, Country Representative WaterAid in Nigeria
  - 6. Representative of Cities Alliance.
- 18:10 **Discussion**, Q & A Audience
- 18:40 **Closing Remarks** Hon Garba Rikiji, Hon Speaker of House of Assembly, Zamfara state
- 18:45 **Session Summary & Closing Remarks** Dr Tipple
- 18:50 **Vote of Thanks** Dr Samuel Daramola, Institute For Environment Research and Development

# **PROFILE**

### Dr Graham Tipple (CHAIRPERSON)

Formerly Reader in Housing Policy and Development at the University of Newcastle upon Tyne and now an independent consultant, Dr Graham Tipple is a Chartered Town Planner with over 30 years? experience in housing and urban development issues in developing countries at national and city level, including seven years working in Africa (Zambia and Ghana).

He has published over a hundred papers on urban policy in Africa and the developing world in general. His research focused on housing and urban issues in Africa and South Asia, particularly housing supply, user-transformation of dwellings, home-based enterprises, and homelessness in developing countries.

He is author of "Extending themselves: user-initiated transformation of government-built housing in developing countries", Liverpool University Press (2000) and co-author with Suzanne Speak of "The Hidden Millions: homelessness in developing countries" (Routledge (2009). Graham Tipple wrote the reports which resulted in UNCHS/ILO (1995) "Shelter provision and employment generation" and UNCHS (2000) "Strategies to combat homelessness".

He was part of the authors? team for the Global Report on Human Settlements 2005 and lead author on the UN-Habitat/Ministry of Municipalities "State of Iraq Cities Report 2006/2007". He took part in a review of the South Africa Cities Network. He has been the international consultant on UN-Habitat Urban Housing Sector Profiles for Malawi, Ghana and Zambia. He has acted as a consultant to the World Bank, UN-Habitat, ILO, EU, DFID, CSIR (South Africa), South Africa Cities Network, Habitat for Humanity and UK companies.

Dr Tipple has become knowledgeable about urban issues in countries as diverse as Indonesia and Saudi Arabia, Bangladesh and China, Libya and Uganda.

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#### Stephen Young, (DFID)

Stephen Young is the new Head of Profession for Infrastructure at the Department for International Development (DFID). He has very kindly agreed to brief members on how he sees the integration of infrastructure into DFID's work to reduce poverty and improve the lives of the poorest. Key themes will be working with the private sector, delivering results and achieving value for money. Stephen will draw on DFID's recent evidence to the Parliamentary International Development Committee Inquiry into Infrastructure and Development.

A Chartered Engineer, Stephen believes strongly that infrastructure professionals have a key role to play in development and in the relief of world poverty. In his new role he provides leadership on infrastructure issues, ensuring these are integrated into DFID's mission and that effective infrastructure results are achieved.

Stephen has broad global experience and has worked in Africa, Asia, the Middle East and the Caribbean. His experience has included working on some of the most fragile and conflict affected countries of the world. Prior to joining DFID he was engaged in civil engineering consultancy, holding a number of senior roles. He therefore has a strong understanding of the contribution that the private sector can make to infrastructure provision and poverty reduction.

#### Mrs Amina Az-Zubair, (UNITED NATIONS)

United Nations Secretary-General, Mr. Ban Ki-moon, has appointed Mrs Amina Az-Zubair a former Senior Special Assistant to President Jonathan on MDGs, as his Special Adviser on Post-2015 Development Planning, and Parfait Onanga-Anyanga of Gabon as his Special Representative and Head of the United Nations Office in Burundi (BNUB).

Mrs Az-Zubair brings to the position over 30 years of experience as a development practitioner in the public and private sectors as well as civil society, according to a statement issued by Mr. Ban's spokesperson.

The Special Adviser is currently the Chief Executive Officer and founder of the Centre for Development Policy Solutions, a think-tank focussed on addressing policy and knowledge gaps within the government, parliament and private sector in development and civil society for robust advocacy materials.

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